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Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission Proclamation Statewide Elk Hunting Seasons and Bag Limit

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the statewide elk hunting seasons and bag limits, effective August 1, 2009.

A. Elk Hunting Zones (EHZ)

For the purpose of these hunting regulations and better wildlife management, the North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is hereby divided into five (5) elk hunting zones, as follows:

EHZ 1: Chestnut Ridge and Fork Mountain

That portion of the North Cumberland WMA west of I-75 and east of the Southern railroad tracks. All safety zones designated by TWRA and private property excluded.

EHZ 2: Adkins and Turley Mountain

That portion west of the Southern Railroad tracks, east of Red Ash road to Wheeler Gap, northeast of Adkins Mountain Road to Jenny Gap, east of Straight Fork road to State highway 63, east of Hwy 63 to the Southern Railroad tracks. All safety zones designate by TWRA and private property excluded.

EHZ 3: Horse Gap and Wolf Ridge

That portion of North Cumberland WMA south of Adkins Mountain road to Huckaby Knob, west of the trail on Brushy Mountain Ridge to Montgomery Fork Creek, north of Montgomery Fork Creek (downstream) to the North Cumberland WMA boundary line and east of the North Cumberland WMA boundary line to Jenny Gap. All safety zones designated by TWRA and private property excluded.

EHZ 4: Anderson and Massengale Mountain

That portion on the North Cumberland WMA south of Montgomery Fork creek to Little Bruce Ridge, west of Little Bruce Ridge to Short Haul road to Grave Gap, north of Massengale Mountain road to Poor Mountain Road, north of Poor Mountain road to Norma road, east of Norma road to Montgomery Fork creek. All safety zones designated by TWRA and private property excluded.

EHZ 5: Cross Mountain and Red Ash

That portion on the North Cumberland WMA South of Red Ash road to Wheeler Gap, west of Adkins Mountain road to Huckaby Knob, east of the trail on the Brushy Mountain Ridge to Montgomery Fork creek, east of Little Bruce Ridge to Short Haul road, east of Massengale road to Ash Log gap, north of boundary back to Southern Railroad, west of Southern Railroad to Red Ash Church. All safety zones designated by TWRA and private property excluded.

B. Elk Bag Limits, Season Dates, and Quotas

1. Elk harvest will be regulated by a quota permit system. The bag limits, dates, and quotas are as follows:

	EHZ	Season Type	Season Dates	Permits	Bag Limit
1	Chestnut Ridge & Fork Mountain			1	1 antlered elk
2	Adkins & Turkey Mountain	Gun/	October	1	1 antlered elk

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3	Horse gap & Wolf Ridge	Muzzleloader/	19-23, 2009	1	1 antlered elk
4	Anderson & Massengale Mountain	Archery		1	1 antlered elk
5	Cross Mountain & Red Ash			1	1 antlered elk

- 2. Permit allocation for the 2009 hunt will be as follows:
 - The Executive Director is authorized to issue one permit to a qualifying non-profit wildlife conservation organization, in accordance with Rule 1660-1-25.
 - The remaining permits will be allocated by a drawing conducted by TWRA.

C. Special Regulations

- 1. Upon harvesting an elk the hunter is to contact TWRA before moving the elk. TWRA personnel will tag the animal and collect data at the kill site.
- 2. Permitted hunters may be accompanied during the hunt by up to two individuals who are allowed to participate in all aspects of the hunt except harvest. The hunter must provide TWRA with the names of the individuals prior to the hunt as specified by TWRA. These 2 individuals are not permitted to possess any weapons. These individuals must possess a Type 01 and 94 license/permit (except for Lifetime and Annual Sportsman's License holders). Youths under the age of 13 are exempt.
- 3. Use or possession of electronic tracking equipment is prohibited.

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I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the 22nd day of January, 2009.

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